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AEROSOL DRUG DELIVERY  
DEVICES

**REQUEST FOR RCE AND AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

This amendment and request for continued examination (RCE) are being filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed on December 2, 2004. This communication is being filed within seven months of the filing of a Notice of Appeal and is accompanied by a request for a five month extension of time. The present amendment is being filed in accordance with revised rule 37 CFR 1.121. Thus, marked-up amendments to the claims and/or specification are provided and no clean versions of the amendments are provided.